

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/579,493 Confirmation No. : 1659  
First Named Inventor : Hiroshi OMOTE  
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Examiner : Loren C. Edwards  
  
Docket No. : 038685.57582US  
Customer No. : 23911  
  
Title : Exhaust Manifold for Internal Combustion Engine

**REPLY AND AMENDMENT**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2008. **An extension of the deadline for response to the Office Action is respectfully requested pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and the appropriate fee is submitted herewith.**

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper. **No additional claims fees are due.**

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.